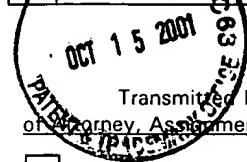


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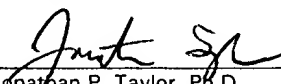
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- ☒ Petition for a one month extension of time, check for \$110.
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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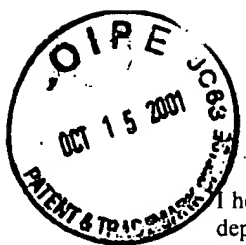
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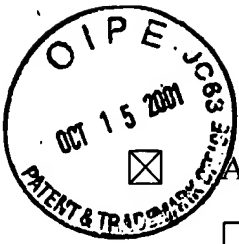
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In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated July 10, 2001, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:



Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application.

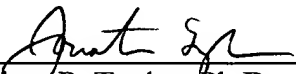


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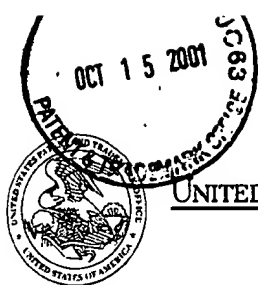
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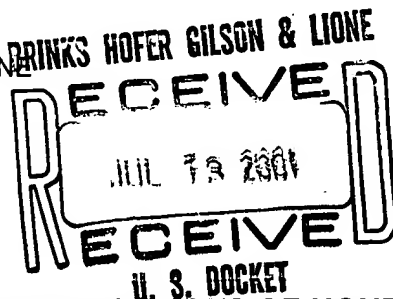
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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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